

BREAKOUT 4 – Strengthen Planning

National Priority 8: Strengthen Planning and Citizen Preparedness Capabilities

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The planning capability ensures the ability to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism, natural disasters, and other emergencies. The planning process and the resultant plans incorporate an accurate hazard analysis and risk assessment, and coordinate agreements in support of plans. Specifically, jurisdictions should develop and maintain plans for Homeland Security preparedness including strategic plans, emergency operations plans, recovery plans, mitigation plans, and continuity plans. Additionally, jurisdictions must develop and execute mutual aid assistance agreements. Finally, there must be trained and equipped planners available to execute the planning requirements.

Questions for Breakout 4 to answer:

For the capability of strengthen planning and COOPs ...

1. Since 2002 what do you feel has been accomplished in your region related to developing plans for preparedness, emergency operations, recovery and continuity?
2. In your region, what are examples of the results of these planning accomplishments? In your locality?
3. What objective(s) should be established to strengthen planning for your region by 2010?

<i>Objectives must be <u>SMART</u></i> <i><u>S</u> = Specific <u>M</u> = Measurable <u>A</u> = Attainable <u>R</u> = Relevant <u>I</u> = Time Bound (2010)</i>	<i>Example:</i> <i>Ensure all localities have access to a emergency planner to assist with the action items post exercise, COOP testing, and regional plan development.</i> <i>2010</i>
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4. What steps need to be taken to accomplish each objective?

Examples:

Identify localities without a planner and develop a strategy to staff a planner to assist localities (one per each planning district, one for every two planning districts).

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